### **Federal Acquisition Regulation**

#### 4.602 General.

- (a) The FPDS provides a comprehensive web-based tool for agencies to report contract actions. The resulting data provides—
- (1) A basis for recurring and special reports to the President, the Congress, the Government Accountability Office, Federal executive agencies, and the general public;
- (2) A means of measuring and assessing the effect of Federal contracting on the Nation's economy and the extent to which small, veteran-owned small, service-disabled veteran-owned small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, women-owned small business concerns, and nonprofit agencies operating under the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act, are sharing in Federal contracts; and
- (3) A means of measuring and assessing the effect of other policy and management initiatives (e.g., performance based acquisitions and competition).
- (b) FPDS does not provide reports for certain acquisition information used in the award of a contract action (e.g., subcontracting data, funding data, or accounting data).
- (c) The FPDS Web site, https://www.fpds.gov, provides instructions for submitting data. It also provides—
- (1) A complete list of departments, agencies, and other entities that submit data to the FPDS;
  - (2) Technical and end-user guidance:
- (3) A computer-based tutorial; and
- (4) Information concerning reports not generated in FPDS.

EFFECTIVE DATE NOTE: At 73 FR 53994, Sept. 17, 2008, section 4.602(a)(2) was amended by removing "and nonprofit agencies" and adding "and AbilityOne nonprofit agencies" in its place, effective October 17, 2008.

### 4.603 Policy.

- (a) In accordance with the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (Pub. L. No. 109–282), all Federal award data must be publicly accessible.
- (b) Except as provided in 4.606(a)(2), executive agencies shall use FPDS to maintain publicly available information about all contract actions exceeding the micro-purchase threshold, and any modifications to those actions that change previously reported contract

action report data, regardless of dollar value.

- (c) Agencies awarding assisted acquisitions or direct acquisitions must report these actions and identify the Funding Agency Code from the applicable agency codes maintained by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) using NIST Special Publication 800–87, "Codes for the Identification of Federal and Federally Assisted Organizations," at <a href="http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/nistpubs/800-87/sp800-87-Final.pdf">http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/nistpubs/800-87/sp800-87-Final.pdf</a>.
- (d) Agencies exempt from the FAR are encouraged to report contract actions in FPDS.
- (e) Agencies awarding contract actions with a mix of appropriated and nonappropriated funding shall only report the full appropriated portion of the contract action in FPDS.

# 4.604 Responsibilities.

- (a) The Senior Procurement Executive in coordination with the head of the contracting activity is responsible for developing and monitoring a process to ensure timely and accurate reporting of contractual actions to FPDS.
- (b)(1) The responsibility for the submission and accuracy of the individual contract action report (CAR) resides with the contracting officer who awarded the contract action.
- (2) When a contract writing system is integrated with FPDS, the CAR must be confirmed for accuracy prior to release of the contract award.
- (3) When a contract writing system is not integrated with FPDS, the CAR must be submitted to FPDS within three business days after contract award.
- (4) For any action awarded in accordance with FAR 6.302-2 or pursuant to any of the authorities listed at FAR Subpart 18.2, the CAR must be submitted to FPDS within 30 days after contract award.
- (5) When the contracting office receives written notification that a contractor has changed its size status in accordance with the clause at 52.219–28, Post-Award Small Business Program Rerepresentation, the contracting officer must submit a modification contract action report to ensure that the

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updated size status is entered in FPDS-NG.

(c) The chief acquisition officer of each agency required to report its contract actions must submit to the General Services Administration (GSA), in accordance with FPDS guidance, by January 5, an annual certification of whether, and to what degree, agency CAR data for the preceding fiscal year is complete and accurate.

## 4.605 Procedures.

- (a) Procurement Instrument Identifier (PIID). Agencies must have in place a process that ensures that each PIID reported to FPDS is unique, Governmentwide, and will remain so for at least 20 years from the date of contract award. Agencies must submit their proposed identifier format to the FPDS Program Management Office, which maintains a registry of the agency unique identifiers on the FPDS website, and must validate their use in all transactions. The PIID shall consist of alpha characters in the first positions to indicate the agency, followed by alphanumeric characters identifying bureaus, offices, or other administrative subdivisions. Other pertinent PIID instructions can be found at https://www.fpds.gov.
- (b) Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS). The contracting officer must identify and report a DUNS number (Contractor Identification Number) for the successful offeror on a contract action. The DUNS number reported must identify the successful offeror's name and address as stated in the offer and resultant contract, and as registered in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database in accordance with the clause at 52.204-7, Central Contractor Registration. The contracting officer must ask the offeror to provide its DUNS number by using either the provision at 52.204-6, Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Number, the clause at 52.204-7, Central Contractor Registration, or the provision at 52.212-1, Instructions to Offerors-Commercial Items
- (1) Notwithstanding the inclusion of the provision at 52.204-6 in the associated solicitation or except as provided in paragraph (b)(2) of this section, the contracting officer shall use one of the

generic DUNS numbers identified in CCR to report corresponding contract actions if the contract action is—

- (i) With contractors located outside the United States and its outlying areas as defined in 2.101 who do not have a DUNS number, and the contracting officer determines it is impractical to obtain a DUNS number;
- (ii) With students who do not have DUNS numbers:
- (iii) With dependents of veterans, Foreign Service Officers, and military members assigned overseas who do not have DUNS numbers; or
- (iv) For classified or national security.
- (2) In accordance with agency procedures, authorized generic DUNS numbers found at https://www.fpds.gov may be used to report contract actions when—
- (i) Specific public identification of the contracted party could endanger the mission, contractor, or recipients of the acquired goods or services; or
- (ii) The agency determines it is impractical to obtain a DUNS number.

### 4.606 Reporting Data.

- (a) Actions required to be reported to FPDS. (1) As a minimum, agencies must report the following contract actions over the micro-purchase threshold, regardless of solicitation process used, and agencies must report any modification to these contract actions that change previously reported contract action data, regardless of dollar value:
- (i) Definitive contracts, including purchase orders and imprest fund buys over the micro-purchase threshold awarded by a contracting officer.
- (ii) Indefinite delivery vehicle (identified as an "IDV" in FPDS). Examples of IDVs include the following:
- (A) Task and Delivery Order Contracts (see Subpart 16.5), including—
- (1) Government-wide acquisition contracts.
- (2) Multi-agency contracts.
- (B) GSA Federal supply schedules.
- (C) Blanket Purchase Agreements (see 13.303).
- (D) Basic Ordering Agreements (see 16.703).